IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Docket No. 33858-CIP8-CNT2

ANNEN et al.

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Group Art Unit No. 1714

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N-ALKYL AMMONIUM ACETONITRILE SALTS, METHOD THEREFOR AND

COMPOSITIONS THEREWITH

Examiner: Joseph David Anthony

Commissioner of Patents Alexandra, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the office action dated March 26, 2003, amendment and reconsideration of the above application is requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.